Cost *far* creating irrigation capacity in Madhya Pradesh

1200. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the cost for creating per hectare irrigation capacity through the minor projects is less as compared to the major and medium projects of Madhya Pradesh as on date;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the measures being taken to encourage minor irrigation projects during the Eighth Five Year Plan project;

(d) the targets fixed for major, medium and minor projects separately for creating irrigation capacity during the said plan period; and

(e) the total amount likely to be spent on these projects under the three categories?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) and (b) Considering only the direct investment, the Minor Irrigation schemes may appear to be cheaper on cost per hectare basis as compared to Major & Medium projects. However, if the proportionate cost of resource to energise the tubewells/pumpsets in Minor irrigation schemes is taken into account, the Minor schemes are not less costly on cost per hectare basis than Major & Minor projects. Moreover, the useful life of Major & Medium projects is longer than the Minor schemes. This is applicable for pro jects of Madhya Pradesh also.

(c) The main elements of the strategy for the Minor irrigation during the Eighth Five Year Plan inter-alia include (i) priority for speedy completion of large number of ongoing surface water minor irrigation schemes, (ii) encouragement to Minor surface water lift irrigation schemes both individually and community owned, (iii) encouragement to repair and improvement of Minor irrigation tanks as well as the development of new works as part of the integrated micro development of tects, (iv) emphasis on conjunctive use of surface and ground water, (v) priority to the installation of sprinkler/drip irrigation system in water scarce and drought prone areas, (vi) improvement in the utilisation of public tubewells and their rehabilitation and (vii) discouragement to over exploitation of water.

(d) The Eighth Five Year Plan (1992—97) envisages creation of additional irrigation potential to this extent of 4.50 and 5.00 lakhs ha. through Major & Medium surface water irrigation projects and Majoy Irrigation schemes respectively in Madhya Padesh.

(e) During the Eighth Plan period, Rs. 1791.29 crores and Rs. 728.37 crores have been allocated to Major & Medium irrigation projects and minor irrigation schemes respectively in Madhya Pradesh.

जल बांटने के लिये बिहार, मध्य प्रदेश और उत्तर प्रदेश के बीच त्रिपक्षीय समझौता

1201. श्री ब्रह्मदेव आनन्द पासवान: क्या जल संसाधन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या बिहार, मध्य प्रदेश व उत्तर प्रदेश के बीच कोई त्रिपक्षीय समझौता हुआ था जिसके अनुसार उत्तर प्रदेश को बिहार के लिये 3 लाख एकड़ फुट जल छोड़ना था जिसे सरकार समय पर नहीं दे रही है और उसी जल को अनुचित रूप से जल-विद्युत निर्माण में प्रयोग कर रही है;

(ख) बिहार सरकार द्वारा केन्द्रीय सरकार को "फीडर डैम" के निर्माण के बारे में भेजे गये प्रस्ताव की मंजूरी न दिये जाने के क्या कारण हैं ;

(ग) क्या सरकार इसके लिये यह आदेश देने का विचार रखती है कि इस